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LAST OF 7 DEFENDANTS SENTENCED FOR BEATING DEATH OF SAN CARLOS MAN

PHOENIX, ARIZONA -- José de Jesus Rivera, United States Attorney for the District of Arizona, announced today that **MICHAEL LEE AGARD** (age 16), having previously agreed to be transferred to adult court and receive an adult sentence, was sentenced to 41 months, 12 days prison and 3 years supervised release for Voluntary Manslaughter. **AGARD** is one of seven defendants who pleaded guilty and were sentenced for their involvement in the beating death of 32 year old James Nosie, on December 1, 1998.

On December 1, 1998, on the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation, the defendants were present with James Nosie under the San Carlos Bridge. Six of the seven defendants were drinking alcohol at the time. There was a disagreement, and as a result, one of the defendants initiated the assault against James Nosie. Once the assault started, the other defendants joined in and kicked and beat James Nosie. After repeated assaults, the group left James Nosie at the scene to die. After 2-3 hours, James Nosie died of internal injuries he received as a result of the assault.

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The guilty pleas and sentences for all seven defendants are as follows:

On October 18, 1999, **JOHNSON MULL, SR.** (age 36) was sentenced to 140 months prison and 5 years supervised release, for Second Degree Murder.

On August 31, 1999, **ANTHONY WAYNE HOSAY**, (age 20), was sentenced to 100 months prison and 5 years supervised release.

On December 17, 1999, **VERONICA SUE EVANS** (age 17), having previously agreed to be transferred to adult court and an adult sentence, was sentenced to 90 months prison and 3 years supervised release for Voluntary Manslaughter.

On January 4, 2000 **ARLEY SHAY STEELE** (age 16), having previously agreed to be transferred to adult court and an adult sentence, was sentenced to 51 months prison and 3 years supervised release for Voluntary Manslaughter.

On July 13, 1999, John Doe 4 (age 13) was sentenced to 51 months juvenile detention for Voluntary Manslaughter.

On August 17, 1999, John Doe 5 (age 13) was sentenced to 51 months juvenile detention for Voluntary Manslaughter.

The investigation in this case was conducted by S/A K. Dee McCown from the FBI; Louis Moran and Walliman Clark from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the San Carlos tribal police.

The prosecution was handled by Sharon K. Smith, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

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